



BRENT SIKH CENTRE



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PROGRAMMES FOR DECEMBER 2017

EVERY DAY 8.30 AM – 9.00 AM Asa Di Vaar 7.00 PM – 8.00 PM Kirtan Ragi Jatha
EVERY WEDNESDAY 10.30 AM – 11.30 AM Sukhmani Sahib Path, 11.30 AM – 01.00 PM Kirtan BSC Ladies Jatha
EVERY THURSDAY 7.00 PM – 7.30 PM Katha Giani Ji, 7.30 PM – 8.00 PM Kirtan Ragi Jatha
EVERY SUNDAY 10.00 AM – 11.00 AM Sukhmani Sahib Path, 11.00 AM – 11.30 AM Kirtan BSC Sangat
11.30 AM – 12.00 noon Katha, 12.00 PM – 1.00 PM Kirtan by Ragi Jatha, 1.00 PM – Ardas

Fri 01.12.2017 **Simran** 8 - 9 pm
Sewa Tilly Chadha

Sun 03.12.2017 07.30am-9am Asa Di Vaar
11:30am-12 Katha & 12-1pm Kirtan
Sewa Inderjit Kaur
PURANMASI
6.45pm Sehaj Paath Bhog
7-8pm Katha & Kirtan
Sehaj Paath Arambh

Wed 06.12.2017 Ladies Kirtan - Sukhmani Sahib Paath

Thu 07.12.2017 07-8pm Katha & Kirtan

Sun 10.12.2017 07.30am – 9am Asa Di Vaar
11:30am-12 Katha & 12-1pm Kirtan
Sewa Raj Bhogal

Wed 13.12.2017 Ladies Kirtan - Sukhmani Sahib Paath

Thu 14.12.2017 7-8pm Katha & Kirtan
Evening Sewa Harinder Kaur

Fri 15.12.2017 **SANGRAND**
07.30am-9am Asa Di Vaar

Sun 17.12.2017 11:30am-12 Katha & 12-1pm Kirtan
Sewa Saminder Babeo

Wed 20.12.2017 Ladies Kirtan - Sukhmani Sahib Paath
Sewa Shan Anand

Thu 21.12.2017 7-8pm Katha & Kirtan
Sewa Dr. Rajwalia

Sun 24.12.2017 11:30am-12 Katha & 12-1pm Kirtan
Sewa Ajay Paliwal

Wed 27.12.2017 Ladies Kirtan - Sukhmani Sahib Paath

Thu 28.12.2017 07-8pm Katha & Kirtan

Sun 31.12.2017 11:30am-12 Katha & 12-1pm Kirtan
New Year eve 6.45pm Rehras
7pm – 7.30pm Shabad Kirtan by BSC Sangat
7.30pm – 8pm Katha by Giani Ajmer Singh
8pm – 9.00pm Shabad Kirtan by Ragi Gurcharan S.
9pm – 10pm Shabad Kirtan by Ragi Baljeet Singh.
10pm – 10.30pm Shabad Kirtan Dr. Heminder Kaur
10.30pm – 11pm Shabad Kirtan by Manohar Singh Bharj
11pm – midnight Shabad Kirtan by Gurcharan Singh
Ardas Langar throughout the evening

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Indifference and brusqueness fail to subdue those who are permanently attuned to His Word and transfixed on Him; thus focused on Him, they eagerly await His realization within.

Seeking His shelter and surrendering to Him unreservedly, one profits spiritually; one meets and follows the true Guru, bearer of the Divine torch, and by singing His Praise (livings one's life by Divine Will) one neutralizes the attacks of Maya and succeeds in pursuing the 'straight and narrow path'.

Gracious Lord literally grasps the hand and pulls such an individual closer; thus joined,

His devotee never separates from Him again and remains truly absorbed in Him.

Dedicating one's one hundred thousand lives will not fathom Him for He, my friend, is truly transcendent.

Seeing such a supplicant at His door, says Nanak, 'He has to be gracious and save His devotee's honour'.

Whosoever the carefree Lord grants His Grace, realises all comforts and bliss.



Sahibzade Zorawar Singh and Fateh Singh in captivity

On 26 December 1705, Fateh Singh and his elder brother, [Zorawar Singh](#) were martyred at [Sirhind](#). Fateh Singh is probably the youngest recorded martyr in history who knowingly laid down his life at the very tender age of 6 years. The young Sahibzada and his older brother, [Sahibzada Zorawar Singh](#) are among the most hallowed martyrs in [Sikhism](#).

The first Sunday of November saw a Shabad Kirtan session aimed for the Sunday school children sat in rows close to the stage. Kirat the youngest member of the Manohar Singh Bharj Jatha explained the Shabad meaning and its implication. The crowning glory of this unique and a wonderful spectacle was our young Janvi singing a Shabad so skillfully. The practice of concluding each session with a Shabad by a pupil will hopefully continue.

A notice to parents announcing a repeat of Shabad Kirtan sessions for the Sunday School Children every first Sunday of the month has been sent. Introducing Shabad Kirtan to the children early in their lives is envisaged to foster Gurbani discipline right from their earlier years.

As Christmas is approaching, Punjabi teachers would like to remind children of the Martyrdoms coming in the month of December which are of significance to Sikhs. On December the 21st and 26th, we commemorate elder and younger sahibzade Shaheedi diwas respectively. Both these sacrifices remind us of how our forefathers fought against injustice. Children have the opportunity to read more about lives of our Gurus by participating in Hemkunt competition which is taking place on 28th Jan 2018 at Brent Sikh Centre for Groups 1, 2 and 3. This will be the first round of competition and winners will have the chance to compete with children from other gurdwaras on 17th March 2018 at Brent Sikh Centre, Kingsbury. Winners from the second and the final round of UK competition, will qualify to participate in 30th International Hemkunt Competition in July. This year Hemkunt International is going to be held in London, so, we want to encourage all children to participate and do their best.

If you would like to know more about the competition, please get in touch with Amandeep Kaur Panesar (dippydontdoit@hotmail.com) or Mandeep Kaur Sidhu (mandeepksidhu@hotmail.com), who will be able to register your child in the competition.

During the Year End break, we would also like that children should continue reading their Punjabi books and complete their assigned homework. This will keep them sharp when they are back to Punjabi school. We wish everyone a restful period and see you all in the New Year.

New Year Eve - Our Gurdwara is known for the unprecedented Saadhsangat attendance to its capacity on every New Year eve. No doubt every Gursikh yearns to see the New Year in presence of their family at the Gurdwara.

This year too the event will provide an evening packed with excellent Shabad Kirtan.

After Rehras Saheb the Punjabi school children will open the shabad Kirtan session.

This will be followed by half an hour of Gurbani Wichar by our Giani Ajmer Singh ji.

Our Hajoori Jatha Gurcharan Singh will join the Saadh Sangat with their melodious Shabad

Kirtan till 9pm. For the next hour our past Ragi Jatha Baljeet Singh, from Birmingham will engage the Sangat with Shabad Kirtan. First Dr. Hemi and then Manohar Singh Bharj Jatha will take us to the final hour of the year when the resident Jatha Gurcharan Singh will immerse us in harmonious Shabad Kirtan.

At the strike of midnight the evening will conclude with the New Year blessing prayers and Ardas.

Langar will be served throughout the evening.

